

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests****AGENCY:** Department of Education**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.

SUMMARY: The Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by September 19, 1997. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 20, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Dan Chenok, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 7th & D Streets, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651.

Written comments regarding the regular clearance and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronic mailed to the internet address #FIRB@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3506 (c)(2)(A)) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early

opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department, (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner, (3) is the estimate of burden accurate, (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: August 15, 1997.

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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: Emergency.

Title: Report of Children and Youth with Disabilities Receiving Special Education Under Part B of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Abstract: This package provides instructions and forms necessary for States to report the number of children with disabilities served under IDEA-B receiving special education and related services. It serves as the basis for distributing Federal assistance, monitoring, implementing, and Congressional reporting.

Additional Information: This form provides instructions and information for States to submit a count of children and youth with disabilities receiving special education and related services. This information is used by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) as the basis for providing Federal assistance to States. In addition, OSEP uses this information to assist in establishing programmatic priorities (such as expanding or adapting services for students with serious emotional disturbance), to monitor States to ensure compliance with Federal statute and regulations, and to disseminate data to Congress and the public.

Emergency clearance is requested on the basis of a statutory deadline. Revisions to the form were necessitated by the passage of P.L. 105-17, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997. While the data collection requirements (Section 618) of this law do not go into effect until July 1, 1998, two sections of the law—Section 602 and Section 611—which impact the 1997 data collection went into effect on June 4, 1997. Therefore, this emergency clearance must be effective for the statutory collection of child count data on October 31 or December 1, 1997.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 58.

Burden Hours: 15,196.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[FERC-511]

Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments

August 15, 1997.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Comments are due October 20, 1997.